## **Burke County, N.C. Newspapers**

Burke was formed in 1777 from Rowan. Morganton is the county seat. (North Carolina Manual, 1991-1992, edited by Julie W. Snee. Raleigh, North Carolina Secretary of State, n.d.)

Morganton, N.C. Newspapers

Blue Ridge Blade Began in 1876

Earliest known issue: May 9, 1876 Last known issue: May 14, 1881 OCLC #11631033

Burke County News Began in 1899

Earliest known issue: Jan. 13, 1899

Ceased in 1901

Last known issue: Oct. 4, 1901

OCLC #24914998

Merged with: Morganton Herald, to form: News-Herald

Burke County Times Began in 1917

Earliest known issue: Aug. 9, 1917 Last known issue: Aug. 1, 1918 OCLC #24914863

Burke Free Press Began in 1930

Earliest and last known issue: Mar. 15, 1934

OCLC #39360019

Carolina Mountaineer

Began in 1883

Earliest known issue: Apr. 7, 1883

Ceased in 1885?

Last known issue: Nov. 15, 1884

OCLC #24914909 Continues: Mountaineer Continued by: Morganton Star

Farmer's Friend Began in 1897

Earliest known issue: Jan. 12, 1898

Ceased in 1899

Last known issue: Dec. 22, 1898

OCLC #24606191

Absorbed by: Morganton Herald

Independent Began in 1904

Earliest and last known issue: Oct. 5, 1904

OCLC #39360029

Independent Press Began in 1867

Earliest and last known issue: Mar. 10, 1869

OCLC #24914877

Morganton Herald Began in 1889

Earliest known issue: Nov. 7, 1889

Ceased in 1901

Last known issue: Oct. 31, 1901

OCLC #24483216

Continues: Morganton Star Absorbed: Farmer's Friend

Merged with: Burke County News, to form: News-Herald

Morganton Star Began in 1885

Earliest known issue: Mar. 13, 1885

Ceased in 1889

Last known issue: Oct. 31, 1889

OCLC #24914944

Continues: Carolina Mountaineer Continued by: Morganton Herald

Absorbed: "Burke Enterprise" and "Burke Blade"; neither

of which have known issues or OCLC numbers

Mountaineer Began in 1879?

Earliest known issue: Mar. 31, 1883

Ceased in 1883

Last known issue: July 7, 1883

OCLC #24914896

Continued by: Carolina Mountaineer

News-Herald Began in 1901

Earliest known issue: Nov. 29, 1901 Last known issue: Dec. 31, 1948

OCLC #11378014

Formed by the union of: Morganton Herald, and: Burke

County News

Rutherford College, N.C. Newspapers

Pen and Plow Began in 1881

Earliest and last known issue: Mar. 4, 1881

OCLC #24820829

Valdese, N.C. Newspapers

Valdese News Began in 1938

Earliest known issue: Dec. 8, 1938 Last known issue: Dec. 20, 1950

OCLC #21769169